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## **ARMED JACKSONVILLE COCAINE DEALER SENTENCED**

Jacksonville, Florida - U.S. Attorney A. Brian Albritton announces that U.S. District Judge Henry Lee Adams, Jr. today sentenced Henock Colimon, Jr. (age 37, of Jacksonville) to 25 years in federal prison for conspiring to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine and 500 grams or more of cocaine and possessing a firearm in furtherance of the drug conspiracy. Co-defendant Sharon Bauer (age 32, of Jacksonville) is scheduled to be sentenced on January 20, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

Colimon had pleaded guilty on July 1, 2009. Bauer had pleaded guilty on June 22, 2009.

According to court documents, in the summer of 2008, Colimon and Bauer used an apartment in the Arlington area of Jacksonville to manufacture and distribute "crack" cocaine and to distribute powder cocaine. On August 5, 2008, Colimon was a passenger in a vehicle stopped by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office. Officers found two ounces of powder cocaine and a loaded semi-automatic pistol in the vehicle and arrested Colimon. While out on bond, on October 18, 2008, Colimon was again a passenger in a vehicle stopped by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office. This time, officers found a shoe box on the passenger side floorboard that contained a loaded semi-automatic pistol, cocaine and

marihuana and arrested him again. While Colimon was detained he began using the jail telephone system to speak with Bauer. Colimon told Bauer, in code, where to obtain cocaine and how to cook powder cocaine into crack cocaine. Colimon also told Bauer how to obtain one of his cellular telephones that contained his customers' contact information. Bauer continued Colimon's cocaine business while Colimon was in jail.

Prior to these convictions, Colimon was a five-time convicted felon and had been to state prison on three separate occasions.

This case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney A. Tysen Duva.